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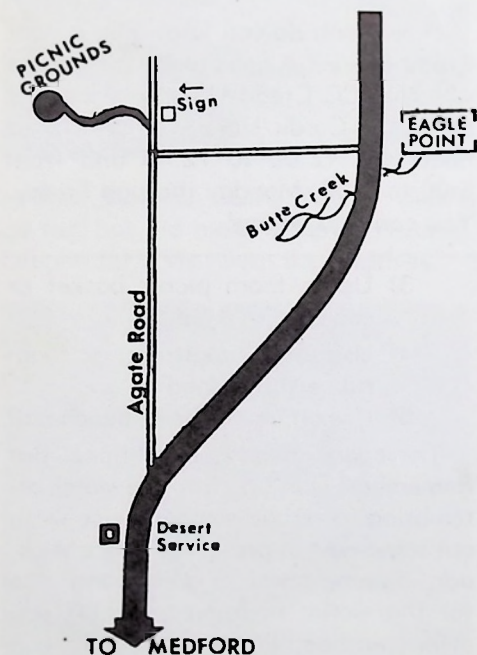
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MEDCO PICNIC SET AUGUST 27

Picnic fever has again arrived at MEDCO. The Fourth Annual Picnic will be held at the Elk's Picnic Grounds on the Rogue River Saturday, August 27.

Ed Foster is the chairman of this year's event and he states that the activities will begin about 11 a.m., continuing until 4 or 5 p.m.

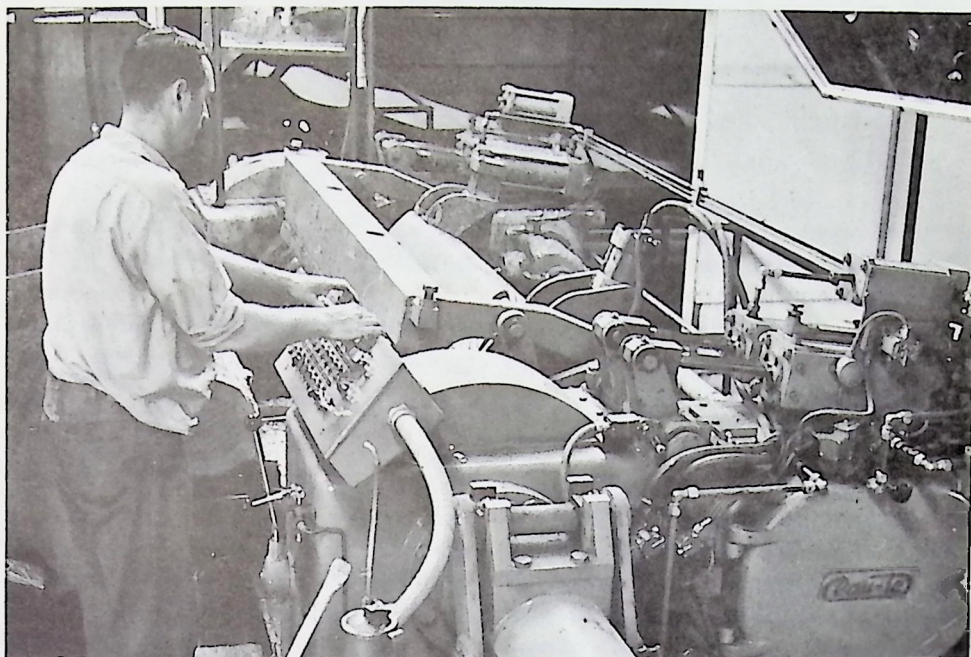
Although you will be hearing more as picnic times gets closer, this is the formal invitation for all MEDCOites and families to attend the festivities



on August 27. We are assured by Ed that there will be plenty of food and fun.

At this time, we are without a pony ride. Anyone having information on such a ride is asked to contact Ed Foster in the office.

We always have a lot of fun at our



Dave Perry, lathe operator for eight years, has been with MEDCO since the plywood plant started 5 years ago and has been on the Rau-te Lathe since start-up in May.

NEW LATHE PEELS BLOCKS IN 11 SECONDS !

This is truly the age of speed and machines. The statement can be verified in the Plywood Plant where a new Rau-te Lathe can peel a log in just 11 seconds!

Small logs and cores with 10-inch to 20-inch diameters can be peeled down to a 3-inch core in just 11 seconds.

annual outing, but remember that a lot of this fun comes from your help in organizing and planning the events. Ed Foster would like to count on a few of you to help us out with the games and activities to make this year's picnic a whopping success, so give him a hand if he asks you for help. Saturday, August 27 is the date, put a big "X" on your calendar, the road map is drawn on the left . . we'll see you there!

Previous to installation, these cores were not used properly to their fullest utilization. It is now hoped that the lathe will, in part, fulfill MEDCO's goal towards conservation and total utilization. The new Lathe reduces total log consumption by six million feet a year and increases total production output to between ten and twelve million feet a year.

Average consumption for the lathe is 800-4-feet or 400-8-feet blocks or cores per day. The machine, while presently handling only small logs, will be at full capacity in the near future as refinements are adjusted. The lathe takes approximately 11 seconds to charge and another 11 seconds to peel, making the total time 22 seconds per block.



By Richard Atterbury
Assistant Sales Manager

The very healthy market of April and May has fallen prey to the illnesses of tight money and heavy production. The lack of mortgage money has curtailed building throughout the country, causing a reduction in buying during the last six weeks. With record high production during this period, prices have tumbled to near record lows in many items.

This situation, coupled with the recent increases in cost factors, has resulted in several producers making cut back in production to something less than capacity during the last few weeks.

We feel fortunate, during this period, in being able to secure the needed orders to ship our current production and maintain full work schedules.

new arrivals



The new arrivals list for News-Views this month comes from the Plywood Plant.

To **Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hogenson**, a boy weighing 8 pounds was born on June 11, 1966.

To **Alfred and Sherry Hines**, a boy was born on June 24, 1966.

To **Paul and Carolyn Preppernau**, a boy, Brent, weighing 8 pounds 10 oz. was born on July 19, 1966. Paul is Plant Engineer.

Congratulations to you proud parents.

come back soon

Ed Musgrave, supervisor, planing & shipping, who has been spending some time in Ashland Community Hospital, is on the recovery list and up on his feet. We are glad to hear that **Ed** will return to us shortly.

Kenneth Stolt Improving A Case in Point

Kenny Stolt, Plywood Plant, was seriously injured just before Christmas in a car accident. The doctors have been able to do a great deal and **Kenny** has shown lots of courage. We are glad to hear that you are home this summer **Kenny**.

We are also pleased to announce, as **Kenny** is, that he has the **MEDCO** sponsored group insurance plan. There have been benefits paid on hospital bills, surgery, ambulance, x-ray and laboratory. He has regularly received disability payments. On top of all this, Aetna has paid further benefits under a major medical plan that covers nearly all expenses (some 80%) incurred from his accident.

This is just one case that reminds us of the great protection we employees have under the **MEDCO** sponsored group insurance.

MEDCO NOTES "Handy Lifesavers"

This is the season when many people, just as you, are enjoying the great outdoors. Two wonderful outdoor activities might include swimming and boating.

Here water safety is all important at all times. Helpful hints come to us from the National Safety Council.

You don't have to use a regular lifesaver for safety's sake. In emergencies you might not have one handy.

Instead:

- 1) Use the spare tire from a car
- 2) Use an empty thermos jug with the lid on tightly

Mercy Flights, Inc. Renewed by MEDCO

It has been announced by **K. E. "Ken" Pickens**, Treasurer, that Mercy Flights, Inc. has again been subscribed to for the upcoming year.

The prepaid Group Subscriber Plan is handled on a yearly basis and is paid for entirely by our company at an annual rate of nearly \$2,000. The plan covers all **MEDCO** employees and their families during employment by **MEDCO**.

In a letter from George E. Milligan, President of Mercy Flights, Inc., "this subscription fee pre-pays emergency medical flights for **MEDCO** employees and their families. For example, during the first five months of 1966, **MEDCO** people were flown on Mercy Flights to the extent of over \$700.00 worth of services, but of course it didn't cost them a penny. We are proud to have been of service."

Credit Union News

How much do you know about your Credit Union? A good place to find out why **MEDCO** Credit Union is your best bet is the Credit Union Office. Office hours are 12:00 to 12:45 and from 5:00 to 6:00, Monday through Friday. You can't go wrong!

- 3) Use a foam picnic basket or cooler with a lid
- 4) Use an air mattress, or foam rubber chair pad
- 5) Use an innertube or beach ball

These are merely suggestions. But Remember! Don't go into the water attempting to rescue someone else without some type of preserver. Use a stick, oar, broom, towel or something else for the victim to hang on to. If you offer your hand directly to him, he can pull YOU in.

At your own pool or beach, have some simple equipment to use. A rope, bamboo pole or an innertube may be sufficient.

Remember, think safety . . . and live to enjoy your great recreational areas.

Where did you go? . . .



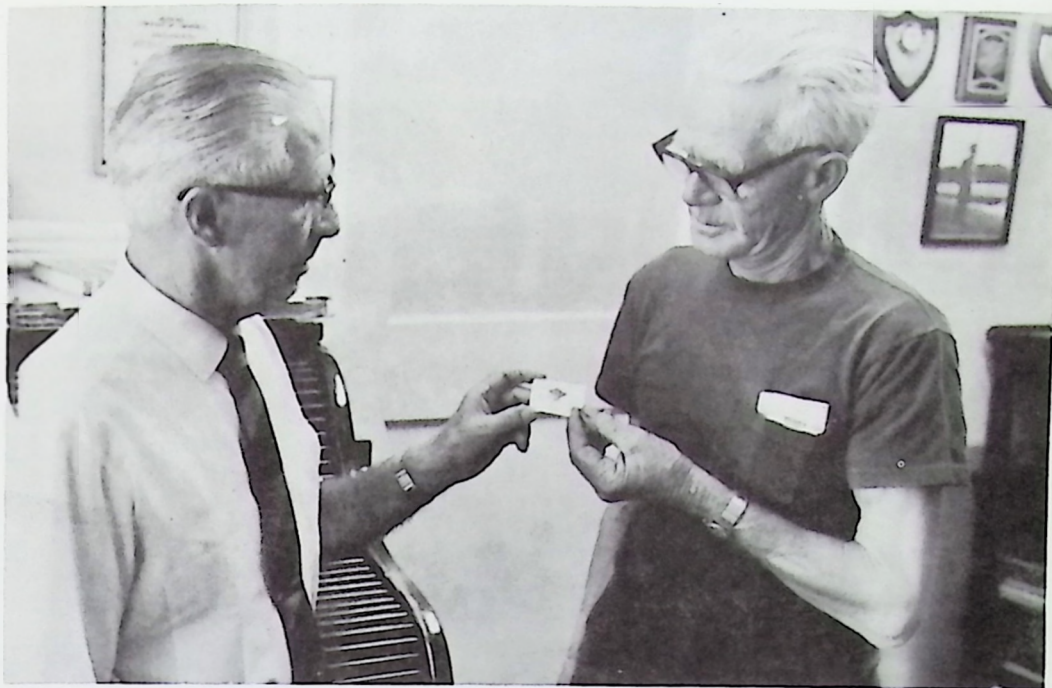
Ask **Clyde Pope**, Block Sawyer Plywood about the "one that didn't get away." "Took my vacation up near Blue River on the McKenzie River. Caught my limit of trout in about forty-five minutes."



Stan Dalbec, Dump Man, "didn't go far, but did make it up to Astoria, Oregon for a visit with the relatives."



Where to **Stan**? "We just returned from a trip to Denver, Colorado, where we saw Stan Jr. He's in the Air Force. We also saw many national and regional monuments," reports **Stan Delgado Sr.**, MEDCO's Office Maintenance man.



"Pappy" Grubbs Retires After 20 Years

William Grubbs, alias "**Pappy**" to all of his friends at **MEDCO** retired from Transportation where he has been driving a carrier since October 26, 1946.

"**Pappy**" came to the Valley of the Rogue in 1935 from Arizona and settled in Phoenix, Oregon, where he has lived for the last thirty-one years. He worked in the orchards driving a tractor until October of 1946 when he joined **MEDCO**. This is when Bill, known as Bud, became **Pappy** and he has lived with it ever since. "If they don't call me Pappy, I don't know who they are talking about," says **Pappy** who is looking forward to some "fine fishing" down on the California side of the Klamath River near Hornbrook. The "15th of October 'til February is the best bet for those Steelhead. I don't eat them, but I have some good recipes for those that do." Asked if he does a lot of fishing, Pappy replied, "Do plenty of fishing, now I'm going to settle down to do some catching."

Pappy has been driving a carrier for some 20 years and has served 11 of those years as the Chairman of the Credit Union. He received his gold retirement pin for 20 years service from **B. L. "Bud" Nutting**, Senior Vice-President. **Pappy** is now waiting for the return of his son, Pike, a major in the

Air Force, serving in Viet Nam where he has flown some 111 combat missions.

Pappy would like to thank his fellow employees in Transportation for the wonderful fishing jacket and tackle box.

We're going to miss you **Pappy**. Be sure to come back and see us. Good luck on your "catching."

Keene' Celebrate 40th Wedding Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Chester Keene were guests of their children for their 40th Wedding Anniversary reception held in the Fireside Room, First Assembly of God Church on June 26. **Chester** has been with **MEDCO** since 1950 and works in the sawmill.

SUMMER SOFTBALL IN FULL SWING

Willie Barnum, Manager of the MEDCO Plywood Softball Team, reports a 6 win 9 loss record at this point in the season.

The team, one of nine league teams in the Jackson County Softball Association, plays every Monday and Friday nights at White City and Jackson Park School respectively.

The season began in June and so far **MEDCO Plywood** has been rained out in only one game. The last game for the season will be held August 12.

How about a little support for the old home team during the next few weeks. Come out and join in the fun! Every Monday at White City, every Friday at Jackson Park School. Games begin promptly at 7 p.m.

TRIM ENDS



We have reports that a strange looking critter has been roaming near the Sawmill. Belonging to an elite organization known as "The Japanese Mustang Club," this little steed is growing in alarming numbers. The Club has been initiated by two wranglers known as the "Mustang Twins," also known as **Bill Buckingham**, Supervisor Sawmill and **George Davis**, Supervisor Barker. Beware of these two, they're MEDCO "Mustangers."

A Real Gasser

A mechanic working on a police car in Klamath, Oregon, saw an unfamiliar button and pushed it. About 30 mechanics dashed out of the garage. The button set off a tear gas gun.

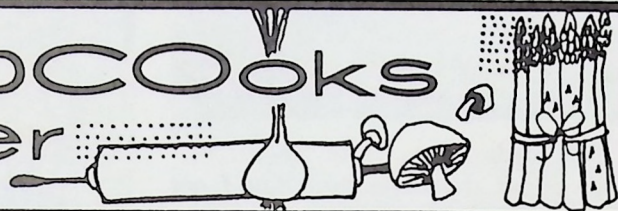
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MEDCOoks corner



Summer is the time for salads and here's a salad that fills the order and can be made in a short time without having to make a trip to the corner grocery.

Ingredients:

- 1 can (1 lb.) chilled red salmon
- 1 head lettuce

Mix:

- ½ cup finely cut cucumber or minced onion
- ½ cup finely diced celery
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons tarragon vinegar
- ½ cup mayonnaise
- ¼ cup Thousand Island dressing
- ¼ cup chopped ripe olives

Drain and remove skin from the salmon and arrange on beds of shredded lettuce on six individual salad plates. Spoon over flaked salmon. For garnish use 1 or 2 hard-cooked egg yolks sieved over top of each salad and place ripe olive in center.

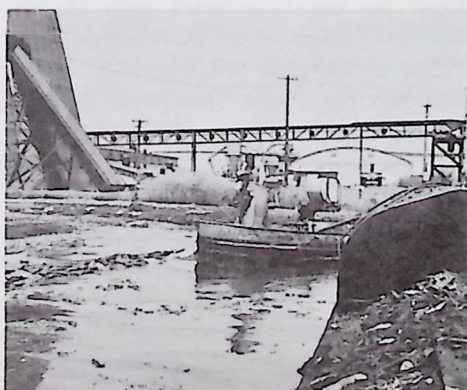
For August let's try light desserts. There's a dollar bill waiting for the MEDCOok of the Month, so send your favorite recipe, whatever it may be, to: MEDCOoks Corner, P.O. Box 545, Medford, Oregon. Deadline for August Cook of the Month is August 5.

Bowling League Elects

Three new officers have been elected for the 1966-1967 MEDCO Bowling League.

Your 1966-67 League representatives are: **Carl Anderson**, President; **Joe Killingsworth**, Vice-President; **Jim Henry**, Secretary. The new League Officers are elected each year at the close of the season.

Our hats are off to **Harold O'Connor** for being the most improved bowler during the past season, and **Joe Clark** for an outstanding job as Secretary during 1965-1966. Congratulations to all of you.



Would you believe . . . still ?

Any suggestions? Head Pondman **Ed Inman** still hasn't found a name for his skow, at least one that's printable!

